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FL member national safety counselor of year

FLORIDA — Florida Wing member and master certified flight instructor Col. Walter Schamel of Winter Haven, Fla., has been named the 2004 National Aviation Safety Counselor of the Year.

Colonel Schamel's involvement in aviation began with his first flight in 1956 as a Civil Air Patrol cadet.

Within 10 years of that first flight, the colonel was working as manager of the U.S. Army Flying Club at Fort Ord, Calif. In that position, he recognized a need for aviation safety counseling and began offering monthly flight education and safety meetings to club members. Thus, he became an aviation safety counselor before that Federal Aviation Administration designation even existed. Since then, Colonel Schamel has served as an FAA aviation safety counselor or safety program manager in nine different Flight Standards District offices nationwide.

CAP has long been a part of Colonel Schamel's life. After his days as a cadet in the mid-'50s, he moved up through the ranks. From 1994-'97, he served as the Oklahoma Wing commander. He is also credited with the development of CAP's

check pilot standardization program.

Colonel Schamel's commitment to safety education continued throughout his 25-year FAA career as an aviation safety inspector. In that capacity, he worked at FSDOs in Tampa, Orlando and Fairbanks, Alaska. He also did a 15-year stint with the FAA's Pilot Examiner Standardization Team in Oklahoma City, where he conducted worldwide examiner training seminars. Since retiring in 2001, the colonel has worked as training manager for Airline Transport Professionals at Craig Airport in Jacksonville, Fla.

A certificated flight instructor for more than three decades, he is one of about 400 aviation educators worldwide who



Col. Walter Schamel

holds a master CFI designation. This professional accreditation is granted by the National Association of Flight Instructors to outstanding aviation educators who demonstrate an ongoing commitment to excellence, professional growth and service to the aviation community.

Even in retirement, Colonel Schamel's support of the FAA's safety program continues unabated. He is active in the WINGS and PACE programs, while volunteering hundreds of hours each year as a member of

the FAA Safety Center's production crew in Lakeland, Fla. — home of Sun 'n Fun. He also actively recruits and trains new ASCs in the Orlando area.

The General Aviation Awards

Program is a cooperative effort between the FAA and industry sponsors. Candidates for the national award begin the selection process with their local FSDO. The FSDO-level winners are then forwarded to the nine regional FAA offices. A panel of aviation safety program specialists then selects the winner.

"The GA Awards program highlights the important role played by these individuals in promoting aviation safety and education," said JoAnn Hill, General Aviation Awards Committee chairman.

Sponsoring organizations for the awards program include the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Experimental Aircraft Association, General Aviation Manufacturers Association, National Air Transportation Association and National Business Aviation Association, along with the Aircraft Electronics Association, Aeronautical Repair Station Association, FAA, Helicopter Association International, National Association of Flight Instructors, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Professional Aviation Maintenance Association and Women in Aviation International.

CA AIRCREW GETS SAVE FOR LOCATING PILOT DOWN IN EL CENTRO

CALIFORNIA — On the evening of March 14, the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Langley Air Force Base, Va., credited a California Wing aircrew and Riverside Sheriff's Department with saving

the life of a downed pilot who was located with the help of an emergency signal.

On the afternoon of March 14, NOAA alerted the AFRCC to an emergency signal in the El Centro, Calif., area. Capt. Allen Graff, an incident commander for the California Wing, tasked Capt. Frank Tullo and Maj. Roy Hofheinz of the wing's Palm Springs Composite Squadron to

locate the signal.

Another wing aircraft flying through Imperial County at the same time reported an emergency signal coming from Brawley Airport about 10 miles north of El Centro. The Palm Springs aircrew verified the report, landed at Brawley and located the non-distress signal in a parked aircraft.

At 5:22 p.m., as the Palm

Springs aircrew flew home, they heard another emergency signal which they located at the Desert Resorts Regional Airport area in Thermal, Calif. After checking the aircraft and structures on the ground there, they determined the signal was coming from an area west of the airport grounds. After locating a downed aircraft in the desert a few miles away, wing members coordinated with

the Federal Aviation Administration, AFRCC, California Highway Patrol and Riverside Sheriff's Department to lead sheriff department personnel to the aircraft.

Sheriff's personnel arrived at the aircraft and found footprints and a bloody trail leading to the pilot, who was trying to walk out of the area.

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On CAP's new corporate partnership with Goodyear Tire: "Goodyear is the global leader in aircraft tire technology. It's exciting to be associated with such a well-known and respected leader."

Jim Shea, CAP Director of Strategic Partnerships — See story on Page 4



Receiving credit for a find and save — aircrew members Capt. Frank Tullo, left, and Maj. Roy Hofheinz of California Wing's Palm Springs Composite Squadron.

year, members of the California Wing are called out by the AFRCC and California Governor's Office of Emergency Services to locate the source of emergency signals detected by a system of satellites administered in the United States by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. While the overwhelming number of these activations are false alarms from aircraft or boat emergency beacons, every signal is treated as a real emergency. However, there are so many false alarms nationwide that typically search forces are not tasked to locate the signals until they have been broadcasting for hours unless the signal is one specifically designed for quick satellite alerting or if there is a report of a missing aircraft in an area where a satellite has detected an emergency signal.

Maj. Alice Mansell

TEXAS WING CONDUCTS DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

TEXAS — Twenty minutes after severe thunderstorms ripped through North Texas on March 4, the director of the Ellis County Department of Emergency Management called a member of Texas Wing's Waxahachie Composite Squad-

ron and requested assistance with damage assessment.

Within two hours of that call, Civil Air Patrol's National Operations Center had been contacted and an aircraft was dispatched to the area.

Squadron aircrew members Capt. Owen Younger, pilot, Maj. Melanie Capehart, scanner, and 1st Lt. Jane Smalley, observer, flew the mission. Also on board was Troy Willmon, an official with the Ellis County Department of Emergency

Management.

The aircraft flew over the area in and around the county to assess the damage caused by the powerful storms. Damage included roof tops blown off buildings, downed high-voltage power lines and toppled trucks.

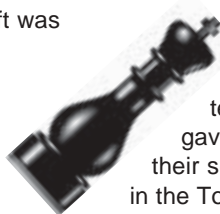
This was the first opportunity for the DOEM in Ellis County to use the assets of the Civil Air Patrol.

1st Lt. Jane Smalley

4 NY CADETS PLAY MEAN GAME OF CHESS

NEW YORK — Four cadets with New York Wing's Sullivan County Cadet Squadron took second place in the U.S. Team East chess tournament in Parsippany, N.J., Feb. 14-16.

The cadets — whose team name was Air Force 2 — scored three points during the championship, which put them ahead of the Army and Navy military academy teams and 85 percent of the college teams participating.



The Air Force 2 team's three-point total gave them second place in their section and second place in the Top Military Team category. The only military team ahead of them was a U.S. Army team made up of officers that earned four points. The Sullivan County Cadet



From left, cadets Mario and Anthony Cassase, and Chris and Noah Belcher of New York Wing's Sullivan County Cadet Squadron take on opponents during the U.S. Amateur Team East Chess Championship in Parsippany, N.J., Feb. 14-16. The cadets' team — known as Air Force 2 — came in second place in their section and second in the Top Military Team category, beating out both Navy and Army military academy teams.

AWARD-WINNING PHOTO



The photo above was recently selected as a third-place winner in the 2003 Air Force Reserve Command Media Contest (Contractor/Stringer Photographer Category). The photo was taken in late 2003 by 1st Lt. Marie Haberstroh of Mississippi Wing's Col. Berta A. Edge Composite Squadron at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. Lieutenant Haberstroh is a member of the Mississippi Wing public affairs team and a full-time flight records technician with the 81st Operations Support Flight at Keesler AFB. Pictured are cadets Staff Sgt. Hampton Reese, left, and Airman Xavier DeVeto testing their headsets during a cadet orientation flight. Both cadets are also members of the Col. Berta A. Edge squadron.

Squadron Chess team was composed of: Cadet Capt. Noah Belcher; Cadet Capt. Chris Belcher; Cadet Staff Sgt. Anthony Cassase; and Cadet Staff Sgt. Mario Cassase.

According to Sr. Mbr. Cathi Belcher, Sullivan County squadron's public affairs officer, last year's top military team, known as Air Power, was missing one player and the

members of that team came up to the cadets at the beginning of the tournament and tried to recruit one of the Belcher brothers. "The 'Air Power' members tried hard to get one of the cadets to be a free agent and fly over to their team," said Ms. Belcher. "They were very honored to be considered, but courteously declined."

Sr. Mbr. Cathi A. Belcher

CAP'S WEB COMPANY WINS STATE-LEVEL AWARD

IOWA — Global Reach Internet Productions, one of the largest Web-design firms in Iowa and host of Civil Air Patrol's Web site, was awarded top honors as the Technology Company of the Year, Small Business Category at the Software and Information Technology of Iowa awards dinner, held March 17, 2004 in West Des Moines.

The award is given annually to the "Iowa technology company that continues to demonstrate solid business practices, strong and relevant business decisions in normal times and

tough circumstances, and develops thoughtful, innovative and relevant products for their target market."

"Global Reach is honored to receive this year's Technology Company of the Year award," said Iacovos Zachariades, company president and CEO. "Our talented team has designed and developed an incredible portfolio of innovative products and business solutions that truly set us apart from other firms."

Global Reach is headquartered in Ames, Iowa, and has offices in Des Moines, Cyprus and South Korea.

CAP enters into corporate partnership with Goodyear Tire

Melanie LeMay
Public Relations Specialist
CAP National Headquarters

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — Civil Air Patrol has entered into a corporate partnership agreement with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., the world leader in aviation tires.

"Goodyear is the global leader in aircraft tire technology," said Jim Shea, CAP's director of Strategic Partnerships. "It's exciting to be associated with such a well-known and respected leader."



While terms of the agreement were undisclosed, Goodyear's support of CAP will include providing Goodyear Flight Custom III aviation tires for use by CAP's corporate aircraft fleet. In return, Goodyear will receive the right to use the CAP name and corporate supporter mark in the

company's advertising, marketing and promotional programs during the year.

"It's only natural that a U.S.-based company would support the CAP," said Alex Dumm, Goodyear general manager for global aviation tires. "In fact, Goodyear is proud that its American-made

technologically advanced aviation tires are flying high with CAP on an expanded role in helping keep America safe."

CAP's corporate aircraft fleet consists of 550 single-engine aircraft — the largest fleet of its kind in the world. The aircraft, piloted by the CAP's volunteer members, are used in homeland security, search and rescue, disaster relief and humanitarian missions throughout the nation.

"Today, CAP volunteers are being asked again to help with homeland security missions to keep our citizens se-

cure," said Maj. Gen. Richard Bowling, CAP national commander. "And like CAP, Goodyear, too, has been doing its part. The company not only provides safe products for the general aviation industry, but plays an important role in its work with the Department of Defense."

"As the safety of our members is a top priority, we are proud to have Goodyear as a partner in performing missions for America and look forward to a long relationship," said Al Allenback, CAP executive director.

Oregon Wing aircrews locate aircraft in Cascade mountains

Lt. Col. Thomas Traver
Public Affairs Officer
Oregon Wing

OREGON — With a narrow window of opportunity between severe weather fronts, Oregon Wing aircrews were able to locate a downed aircraft in snow-covered mountainous terrain within two hours of first launch on March 29.

"We received a preliminary mission notification at 10:23 a.m. local time on March 29 for an aircraft missing on a flight from Salem, Ore., to Bend, Ore., and return," said Capt. Robert Asher, wing incident commander. "Shortly after, we were officially handed the mission by Oregon Emergency Mangement.

After being assigned the mission, Oregon Wing Alerting Officer Lt. Col. James Veach was able to field a five-aircraft search team with the first sortie launched from the Portland, Ore., area shortly after noon. The crash site was ultimately located shortly before 3 p.m. March 29.

The aircraft was first believed to have only the pilot on board and departed the Salem airport for a flight to Bend. Subsequent mission intelligence data gathered by Maj. David Rudawitz, mission planning section

chief, determined the aircraft was on a flight that included stops at Sun River, Bend and Sisters before returning to Salem.

En route to Bend, the pilot stopped over at Sun River to pick up a female passenger and then continued on to Bend where he picked up an additional male passenger. It was learned later the aircraft departed Bend at 5 p.m. March 28 to do some area sightseeing where last summer's B&B Fire occurred in the Mount Jefferson Wilderness area. Then the pilot was going to land at Sisters, drop off his passengers and return to Salem. The aircraft never arrived at Sisters.

Intelligence gathered by Major Rudawitz indicated the three — all good friends — were outdoors-oriented, and the male passenger liked to hike in the Mount Jefferson area. Narrowing the search area significantly, this information was passed on to the first wing aircraft while en route to the search area. On board the aircraft were Capt. Dave Butler, pilot in charge, and observers 2nd Lt. Ted Tannory and 1st Lt. James Brusseau, all from the wing's Portland Metro Senior Squadron. The information resulted in the aircrew locating the crash site quickly.

Additional search aircraft were also launched by Aurora, Bend and



Aerial digital image taken by an Oregon Wing aircrew of the crash site they located March 29 on snow-covered Three-Fingered Jack Mountain in the Cascades.

Medford squadrons, with an additional aircraft serving as high bird from Corvallis.

"It was through the exemplary 'intel' efforts by Major Rudawitz, by gathering information that allowed us to narrow our search field, we were able to find the missing aircraft in near record time" said Captain Asher.

Following the sighting of the crash site, the condition of the wreckage suggested survivability of the passengers may have been possible so the wing incident management team immediately notified the 1042nd Air Medical Company of the Oregon Army National Guard. The unit sent in two HH-60 Blackhawk medivac helicopters to attempt a rescue.

The wing aircraft remained on

scene for almost two hours until the medivac helicopters arrived and were directed into the crash site. It was after a National Guard paramedic was lowered it was determined there were no survivors.

"I find it hard to believe we had such an opportune window for success," said 2nd Lt. Ted Tannory, observer on board the aircraft that located the crash. "There is not doubt in my mind the (incoming) weather would have virtually erased all evidence of the crash."

As it turned out, a severe weather front moved in on March 30, seriously hampering further recovery operations. According to Lieutenant Tannory, the aircraft is now completely covered in snow and "would have most likely not have been found until the spring thaw."

Photo by 2nd Lt. Ted Tannory

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As a federally chartered nonprofit organization, Civil Air Patrol is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code. This entitles members to claim various expenses as charitable contributions to the extent allowed by law. These include the following: Membership dues; expenses for uniforms and training materials; out-of-pocket expenses while participating in CAP activities; mileage on personal vehicles; travel and living expenses while participating in CAP activities.

■ 140 members in attendance

CAP National Board meets in D.C.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — The Civil Air Patrol National Board met for their winter board meeting in Washington, D.C., March 5-6.

The board meeting took place at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Va., with 140 members in attendance.

The March 2004 board items included:

✍ Ratification of the following regulations — CAP Regulation 265-1 *Chaplain Service*, CAPR 39-1 *CAP Uniforms*, and CAPR 50-20 *Civil Air Patrol Model Rocketry*;

✍ Approved \$1,000 per wing to offset cost of wing commanders attending the two required national board meetings. Request will go to the CAP Board of Governors for approval;

✍ Approved changing the name of the annual historian of the year award to the "Col. Lester E. Hopper CAP Historian of the Year";

✍ Approved uniform change of wearing of an orange safety vest when appropriate;

✍ Approved uniform change of wearing summer-weight blue field uniform as an optional item;

✍ Approved uniform change of optional wearing of dark blue field jacket with appropriate accoutrements and headgear;

✍ Approved uniform change of wear of the dark blue battle-dress uniform style hat as optional headgear;

✍ Approved uniform change to modify cadet officer shoulder boards;

✍ Approved online versions of CAP Form 2, CAPF 24, CAPF 2A and CAPF 27;

✍ Approved moving the CAP National Cadet Competition to the Washington, D.C., area in 2005 and 2006;

✍ Approved changes to CAPR 77-1 *Transportation, Operation and Maintenance of Civil Air Patrol Vehicles*;

✍ Approved checkout proce-

dures for the new Gippsland GA8 Airvan aircraft;

✍ Approved giving national activity directors access to the national IP data base; and

✍ Approved changes to CAPR 62-1 *Civil Air Patrol Safety Responsibilities and Procedures*.

Board members in attendance were:

National officers — Maj. Gen. Richard L. Bowling, commander; Brig. Gen. Dwight H. Wheless, vice commander; Air Force Col. George Vogt, senior Air Force advisor; Col. Larry D. Kauffman, chief of staff; Col. Donald B. Angel, finance officer; Col. Rock J. Palermo III, national legal officer; Col. Joseph C. Meighan Jr., national controller; Col. William S. Charles, inspector general; and Chap. (Col.) James H. Melancon, chief chaplain services.

Northeast Region — Col. Richard A. Greenhut, region commander; Col. Andrew Skiba, Connecticut (proxy); Col. Mitchell P. Sammons, Maine; Col. Frederick B. Belden, Massachusetts; Col. Margie L. Sambold, New Hampshire; Col. Cornelius J. Flynn, New Jersey; Col. Austyn W. Granville Jr., New York; Col. Allen M. Applebaum, Pennsylvania; Col. Anthony L. Vessella Jr., Rhode Island; and Col. Leonard Blascovich, Vermont (proxy).

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mander; Col. Jay R. Burrell, Illinois; Col. Charles H. Greenwood, Indiana; Col. Loretta L. Holbrook, Kentucky; Col. Gary J. Mayo, Michigan; Col. Charles L. Carr Jr., Ohio; and Col. Clair D. Jowett, Wisconsin.

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CAP teamwork helps locate downed aircraft in Kentucky mountains

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CAP National Headquarters

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — Teamwork among Civil Air Patrol volunteers across seven states was key in locating a missing airplane March 24 with six people on board.

The plane was eventually found in Kentucky where it had crashed into a mountain in Harland County. There were no survivors.

CAP members from North Carolina, Kentucky, Virginia, Illinois, Indiana, South Carolina and Tennessee were involved in the search, which began on March 22. Most of the active air search was concentrated in North Carolina and Kentucky because of radar information provided by the Fed-

eral Aviation Administration through the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Langley Air Force Base, Va.

The Piper Saratoga II was carrying three Illinois couples who had attended a NASCAR race in Darlington, S.C., on March 21. The group departed from the airport after the race, en route to Bloomington, Ill. The plane apparently failed to clear a mountain in Kentucky and crashed in a wooded area.

According to CAP Middle East Region Commander Col. Charles Glass, the various CAP wings worked together seamlessly throughout the three-day search.

"North Carolina assumed search responsibility for the northeast tip of Tennessee while Kentucky searched the southwest tip of Virginia," Colonel Glass said. "Virginia

assisted with incident investigation, Illinois worked with the families of the victims, and all of the other wings involved supported the effort with aircrews and mission staff on standby for relief duty as the mission continued."

According to CAP National Headquarters, the Kentucky Wing contributed 900 man-hours to the search, including 68 flying hours in eight of its aircraft. The Virginia Wing supported the mission with its airborne communications repeater brought in by one of its aircraft for the search and contributed more than 80 man-hours. Four North Carolina aircraft were used in the search, with members contributing 240 man-hours, 36 flight hours and 24 volunteer staff members. CAP members in Illinois supported



Kentucky Wing members Kevin Fosberg, incident commander, and Bob Koob, air operations branch director, plan an aerial mission March 23 during the multi-wing search for a missing aircraft from Illinois with six people on board.

the victims' families during the search, contributing 36 man-hours to the effort.

The search was coordi-

nated through the AFRCC, which works closely with CAP units throughout the nation during SAR missions.

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2004 'MEMBERS FOR MISSIONS' RECRUITING CAMPAIGN

APRIL 1 - JUNE 30, 2004

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Membership applications must be signed by the new member and processed between 1 April and 30 June.

The individual listed as recruiter must be a member in good standing at the close of the campaign to qualify for prizes.

Only one member will be credited for recruiting the new member. The member's name, and CAPID must appear on the membership application.

Applications returned by National Headquarters for incorrect or inadequate information cannot be considered unless they are corrected and processed prior to the end of the campaign. Therefore recruiters should carefully screen the application to ensure all information is present and correct. National Headquarters cannot accept telephone calls as a way to add recruiters to forms already received.

Anyone receiving payment for recruiting either senior or cadet members from any organization including Middle School Initiative Programs, state supported programs or employees of Civil Air Patrol are not eligible to participate in this campaign.

Applications paid for by an outside/sponsoring agency do not count toward recruiting credit.

National Headquarters will maintain a record of all new members and their recruiters. In case of a tie, a drawing will be held at National Headquarters. Winners will be announced ASAP after the close of the campaign.

Squadron strength will be recorded at the beginning of the campaign and overall growth at the end of the campaign will determine the winner. Members transferred into the squadron because of the deactivation of other units will not count toward overall growth rate.

CAMPAIGN GOAL

The goal of the 2004 "Members for Missions" Recruiting Campaign is to encourage and motivate Civil Air Patrol members to recruit individuals to participate in CAP's many new missions and continue our missions for America.

RECOGNITION

Recruiters will receive recognition in the *Civil Air Patrol News* and on the new CAP News Online. A published list will include the name of each member and the number of members he or she has recruited for that period.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top-10 recruiters in two categories – top senior recruiters and top cadet recruiters. In addition, the cadet, composite or senior squadron in each region with the highest overall growth rate during this period will also be awarded a prize.

PRIZE LIST

Senior Recruiters

- 1st** VIP trip for two to National Board or National Congress on Aviation and Space Education (includes registration, hotel and airfare) and 2-year free membership
- 2nd** Topo Megellan Sport Trak Color GPS and 1-year free membership
- 3rd** Digital camera and 1-year free membership
- 4th** Uniform of choice (except mess dress) or \$200 cash and 1-year free membership
- 5th** Handheld palm pilot/pocket PC and 1-year free membership
- 6th** \$75 CAPMart gift certificate and 1-year free membership
- 7th** \$50 CAPMart gift certificate and 1-year free membership
- 8th** \$25 CAPMart gift certificate and 1-year membership
- 9th** \$20 CAPMart gift certificate and 1-year membership
- 10th** 1-year membership

Cadet Recruiters

- 1st** Trip to cadet special activity of choice (must meet selection criteria — includes registration and transportation)
- 2nd** Topo Megellan Sport Trak Color GPS and 1-year free membership
- 3rd** Digital camera and 1-year free membership
- 4th** Uniform of choice or \$200 cash, and 1-year free membership
- 5th** Game Boy Advance SP with game and carrying case and 1-year free membership
- 6th** Microsoft Flight Simulator 2004 and 1-year free membership
- 7th** Electra J3 Cub model R/C plane and 1-year free membership
- 8th** \$25 CAPMart gift certificate and 1-year free membership
- 9th** \$20 CAPMart gift certificate and 1-year membership
- 10th** 1-year membership

Squadron

The cadet, senior or composite squadron in each region with the highest overall growth rate during this period will also be awarded a \$250 prize. Transfers into the unit will not count.

CAP to hold first financial management summit

Input from wing finance functions critical to developing comprehensive FM processes

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — The first Financial Management Summit of Civil Air Patrol will be held the first week of May at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Ala.

The summit will bring together people representing all aspects of CAP financial management, including ones from CAP-U.S. Air Force, wing financial analysts, wing finance officers, and CAP inspectors general.

Members attending the summit will bring expertise from various areas involved in the financial function and endeavor to develop new financial management regulations, as well as formulate a manual for finance officers.

Col. Don Angel, CAP national finance officer, will be a key participant in the meeting. Colonel Angel's background in finance and his years of service with CAP will be invaluable to the summit in formulating revised financial regulations.

The wing finance officer function will be represented by Jennifer

Brenner (California Wing), Sharon Freeburg (Florida Wing), Robert Near (Michigan Wing), and Betty Jo Eckhoff (Minnesota Wing). These finance officers bring to the summit a level of skill and knowledge regarding wing finances that is vital in developing financial management policies.

CAP's wing finance officers face unique challenges in accounting and internal controls. In order to develop comprehensive financial management processes, it is imperative to obtain significant input from the wing finance function.

Ms. Brenner will be briefing the attendees on a process she has developed using Quicken for squadron accounting. All squadrons and units below wing level within the California Wing have been on Quicken for two years, and the process has streamlined the financial reporting process and eased the accounting level of effort required by squadron finance officers. CAP's wings are now using standard software since QuickBooks

was introduced two years ago, but units below wing level have not been provided a standard. The summit attendees will be evaluating Quicken to determine if this model should be standardized for all squadrons.

Corporations are being challenged to develop financial management safeguards and practices that ensure internal controls are effective. CAP's National Inspector General Col. William Charles will brief the attendees on compliance inspections. Additionally, CAP's external auditors, Wilson Price, will lead a discussion on their role and "best practices" they have observed during site visits to various wings.

Financial managers at both the wings and national headquarters are facing more challenges with the advent of new technologies in banking. Current regulations do not address commonplace financial processes and procedures such as

credit cards, debit cards, online banking and electronic funds transfers. The new FM regulation will be developed to address these technologies.

During the past year, the Financial Management Directorate has received frequent calls requesting guidance on these issues and it has become apparent that new guidelines need to be coordinated and provided.

Since the inception of the Cooperative Agreement, wing finance officers have shouldered the burden for reporting required by the Office of Management and Budget Circulars. One focus of the summit will be to examine various possibilities for easing the time and effort required to support the financial function.

The Financial Management Directorate welcomes suggestions on new processes and requests that inquiries be addressed to FM@cap.gov.

NC WING GRATITUDE



From left, Lt. Col. Aaron Harper, North Carolina Wing's Drug Demand Reduction administrator and director of North Carolina's Civil Air Patrol Division, Linda Hayes, chairman of the Governor's Crime Commission, and David Jones, commission executive director, pose for a photo after Colonel Harper presented the two with a wing plaque for the commission's outstanding support of CAP. The commission awarded the CAP Division's Cadet Program Initiative a three-year \$200,000 grant to help the wing expand its operations in the state.

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Leaders must monitor for signs of heat problems

Part I of this three-part series dealt with hydration in hot weather and the avoidance of hyponatremia with over-hydration. Part II dealt with hydration in cold weather and its effects on the body. This final article focuses on construction of a device to measure WBGT, as well as the effects of heat and heat illness.

The capacity of the environment to absorb heat (cool the body) is dependent on the temperature, humidity and convective heat loss (wind speed over the body).

When heat production exceeds the ability of the individual to lose heat, the risk of heat stroke is increased. Body temps can rise to dangerous levels in spite of proper hydration in hot humid conditions. Other factors influencing heat tolerance include level of fitness, degree of heat acclimatization, and amount of clothing and equipment worn.

If someone exhibits signs of mild heat injury such as dizziness, headache, nausea, unsteadiness, weakness, fatigue or muscle cramps have them rest in the shade, loosen clothing and have them sip water or sports drink. Call for medical personnel to evaluate for temperature or confusion. If more serious signs of heat injury are present, such as hot temperature (especially over 104 degrees), confusion, vomiting, convulsions, weak/rapid pulse, loss of bowel or bladder

control, convulsions or unresponsiveness, in addition to the above, the victim also needs unessential clothing removed and to have cool water poured over them and fanned. Apply ice packs to the groin and armpit area. Immediate active measures to rapidly cool the body are essential to

breaks, in the shade if possible. If the WBGT is over 85 degrees, undo web buckles and unblouse trousers. If the WBGT is over 88 degrees, take off BDU top down to T-shirt to expose more of your body surface area to allow sweating which cools the body..

The components to measure

WBGT are relatively simple and cost less than \$20. Regular thermometers or electronic probe thermometers can be used. The dry bulb temperature (ambient air temp) is taken with a plain thermometer which is shielded from direct sunlight (in the shade).

The wet bulb temperature is taken in the sun with a thermometer which has a wick (woven hollow cotton athletic shoestring or lamp wick) slipped over the end of the thermometer bulb. The other end of the wick sits in a container of distilled water to keep the wick covering the thermometer bulb



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prevent death and brain injury. Monitor airway and breathing until an ambulance arrives.

Persons are at higher risk for heat injury if they are not acclimatized to heat for at least two weeks, have several days in a row of high heat and activity levels, have poor fitness, are overweight, have a minor cold or other illness, taking medications, have had alcohol, are over age 40 or have a sunburn (prevents sweating).

The Wet Bulb Globe Temperature index is used by the military to look at heat factors. It is a combination of air temperature, humidity (impacts ability of sweat to evaporate and cool), and sun intensity. The WBGT can then be used to guide activity levels and fluid intake and should be checked hourly whenever the temperature is over 75 degrees. The activity/fluid intake chart by WBGT is located at: <http://usachppm.apgea.army.mil/doem/pgm34/HIPP/WorkRestTable.pdf>.

As the WBGT and work intensity increases, take more frequent rest

painting a copper toilet sphere float flat black. Drill a hole which will allow a thermometer bulb or temperature probe to be lowered into the globe's center and secure thermometer with a cork or putty. An eyebolt can be screwed into the fitting at the end of the toilet sphere to provide an attachment point to tie a cord to suspend the device. This globe thermometer should be placed in direct sunlight four feet above the ground. Allow at least 15-20 minutes for all of the thermometers to equilibrate before taking readings. For construction details, go to www.labour.gov.sk.ca/safety/thermal/hot/page%205%20.htm

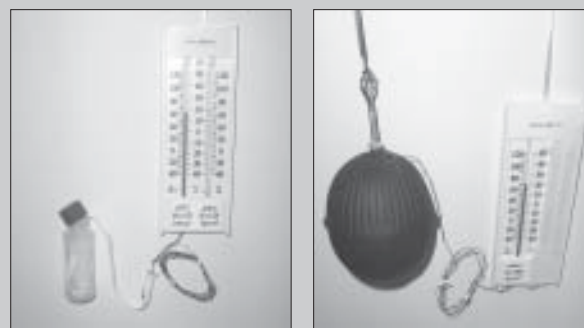
To calculate WBGT Index (using measurements in Fahrenheit) add the following: (0.7 x wet bulb temp) + (0.2 x black globe temp) + (0.1 x shaded dry bulb temp) = WBGT Index.

There are some great WBGT Index and activity tables and information available on heat from the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine at: <http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/heat/> There is a table for calculating the WBGT using temperature in Celsius, and dew point (from the local weather service) at: www.thetenniscoach.com.au/fh_playinghot.html

It is important for command personnel to continually evaluate their personnel for signs and symptoms of heat problems. They should ensure they are eating properly and have adequate time to eat and drink. Ask about urine color (should be light yellow, not dark). Ensure proper rest breaks in the shade. Ensure all are using sunscreen to prevent sunburn (which can impair sweating and heat tolerance). To prevent long term UV damage to the eyes, allow personnel to wear sunglasses when outside. Remember, heat injury is preventable by command intervention.

My thanks to Lt. Col. Richard McLaughlin for his hours of research and hardware store shopping trips which contributed greatly to this article.

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On the left is a wet bulb thermometer with the temperature probe covered by a damp wick and a dry bulb thermometer, left, and, on the right, a globe thermometer with the temperature probe inserted into the center of the globe (hole should then be sealed with putty).

damp at all times. Tap water (with more impurities) has a different evaporation point, so distilled water should always be used.

The globe thermometer measures the impact of the sun heating the body. Make a globe thermometer by

FEATHERED BULLET

There are ways pilots can minimize bird-strike risk

For 100 years, the miracle of controlled flight has been experienced by humans. The mastery of the air was only possible by close observation and interaction with our aerial neighbors, birds. However, this interaction has not been without cost.

Bird strikes, along with other wildlife strikes, cause more than \$500 million in damage to U.S. civil and military aircraft annually. More than 400 people have been killed as a result of bird strikes. Hitting a two-pound bird at 200 knots can have the same impact force of around 8,000 pounds. Damage from these strikes range from cracked windshields to major strut and wing damage.

In general aviation, bird strikes against windshields are especially dangerous. A bird hitting a wind-screen will often obscure visibility with the carcass of the bird. Even worse, general aviation windshields most often are not able to prevent penetration of the birds unlike larger transport category aircraft. Such penetrations often result in serious injury or even death to the front seat occupants. As you can see, an unintended convention with a bird is serious business.

Bird strikes are one of the most common yet least reported incidents in aviation. An estimated 80 percent of all bird-aircraft collisions go unreported. In 2002, there were more than 3,700 reported incidents with U.S. Air Force aircraft, and more than 6,100 incidents in the general aviation sector. As this represents about 20 percent of all bird strikes, there is a significant chance that you may experience a bird incident at least once in your flying lifetime.

While bird strikes can occur any time of year, the most dangerous period is during the periods of migration in the late fall or early spring. The chances increase in the vicinity of the major migration routes across the United States. The most common migratory routes are along major waterways, which are a major food source for birds. Two of the larger routes are the flyways along the

Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The largest route is the Mississippi flyway which generally runs along the Mississippi River and its tributaries. This route covers the entire central portion of the United States.

Airports typically are popular nesting and gathering areas for birds. They are often located in areas with little residential development and have excess land to provide noise abatement. The shorter grass at

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airports tends to provide an easily accessible and plentiful food source. Airports near waterways are also impacted by birds feeding upon fish and other sea life. Furthermore, runways and paved ramp areas tend to provide additional warmth for birds in cool weather, especially in the mornings and evening times.

The best way to avoid the problem is to know where and when the likelihood of a strike is highest. In addition to the peak migratory periods, birds often feed in the early morning and at dusk. Most bird strikes occur at low altitudes. Although, there was a documented strike at 37,500 feet, 93 percent of all strikes occur below 3,000 feet AGL. The greatest chance is below 500 feet AGL where 77 percent of all strikes happen.

From personal experience, on a late afternoon flight in August consisting of touch-and-go landings, I experienced no less than four near misses on three cycles at pattern altitude!

Fortunately there are several ways to minimize the risk of bird strikes.

- ✓ Be especially aware of birds during early morning and late-evening departures and arrivals.
- ✓ Know where the major migratory routes in your area of flight are

and be aware of the primary seasons for activity.

✓ If you see birds in the runway or ramp area, call the tower or ask the airport manager to have their personnel scare away the birds. Many airports and military facilities maintain a wildlife control staff.

✓ When encountering birds on the runway on takeoff, abort your takeoff or extend your ground-roll if sufficient runway and/or obstacle clearance is available. A bird's natural reaction is to fly off the ground. Extending a ground-roll could allow the birds to fly over your aircraft.

✓ When encountering birds at altitude, pull up! Typically, the bird's reaction is to dive, as they can spill air to rapidly lose altitude.

✓ Slow your aircraft in high-risk areas — it will reduce the impact force of bird strike.

✓ Avoid flying near popular bird nesting and feeding areas such as wildlife preserves, wetlands, cultivated fields, landfills, marshy areas, lakes and rivers.

✓ Avoid low-altitude flying whenever possible.

✓ In winter, preheat the

windscreen. A warm windscreen is less brittle than a cold one and the risk of bird penetration is reduced.

✓ Turn on lights in suspected areas of bird activity. Evidence suggests that bright lights may help birds avoid aircraft.

✓ Check airport NOTAMS (notices to airmen) for bird activity.

✓ Keep a pair of shatterproof glasses or goggles in the cockpit and use when arriving or departing airports with suspected bird activity.

✓ Use proper scanning techniques while flying. Birds are small targets and often seen with little time for reaction. Proper scanning techniques will maximize reaction time.

Do not hesitate to report bird strikes or areas of significant bird activity. Airports will often attempt to remove the birds and air traffic controllers will be happy to pass along information to other pilots operating in your area. Furthermore, this data is often forwarded to wildlife management organizations which modify and implement wildlife-control techniques. The Federal Aviation Administration, aviation organizations and wildlife societies have seminars, Web sites and publications available for additional information. Fly safe!

Sights On Safety Program

In 2002, Civil Air Patrol National Commander Maj. Gen. Richard L. Bowling introduced his Sights on Safety Program. The program's purpose was to emphasize the absolute need for all CAP members to have the right mind-set about safety — to make it a cornerstone in their lives.

General Bowling directed the SOS Program be mandatory for wings and optional (but encouraged) for squadrons. Because his goal was to see innovative approaches to safety, he decided all wings would have a program, but there would be no specific guidelines provided.

To motivate the sharing of these new approaches to safety, a substantial amount of money has been set aside again to reward the best efforts — \$5,000 for the first-place wing, \$3,000 for second and \$2,000 for third. For participating squadrons, \$2,000 for first place, \$1,000 for second and \$500 for third. The grants will be awarded at CAP's August national board meeting in Tampa. Region commanders will judge the entries in an SOS Awards Board — chaired by the national commander and vice.

Send program descriptions outlining innovative unit safety programs to: Sights On Safety, HQ CAP/SE, 105 S. Hansell St., Maxwell AFB, AL 36112. Submissions must arrive no later than Aug. 1.

CAP National Vice Commander Brig. General Dwight Wheless emphasized that program submissions should address safety concerns on a long-term basis and provide "cross talk" that other units would find useful — and that videotapes are not required. Members can view all policy letters concerning SOS on the CAP Web site at: <http://level2.cap.gov/index.cfm?nodeID=5330>.

CAP leaders, cadets shine in Washington

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — Cadets meeting with Secretary of State Colin Powell and visits with House and Senate leaders were the highlights of Civil Air Patrol meetings in Washington, D.C., during the first week of March.

The cadets were in the nation's capital for the first annual Civic Leadership Academy, during which they met and talked with Powell, who said he had been familiar with CAP's work for many years.

"You are the future," Powell told the cadets. "We must develop character in the young people who will become tomorrow's leaders, whether they join the military or serve their communities in other ways."

The 24 cadets who attended are some of the country's most outstanding young CAP members. During the week, they studied persuasive leadership, the branches of American government and the influence of lobbyists and the press, and ways to prepare for careers in public service. They also explored America's heritage and visited several significant landmarks, includ-

ing the Central Intelligence Agency, Arlington National Cemetery, Supreme Court and U.S. State Department. Especially memorable to the cadets were the fast-paced federal working groups addressing current issues in Haiti, the State situation room, and an underground tour of the Capitol, with its "crypt" and "whispering room."

"This was definitely the best CAP activity I've ever attended," said Cadet Christie Ducote of Gretna, La., who is commander of her local cadet squadron. "I learned new and amazing things about our government, especially about the most important branch — the judiciary — and all the supporting branches."

Tara Guthrie, a junior at Auburn University who has been a CAP cadet in the Florida Wing since she was 12 years old, said the academy only helped cement her ambition to work in policy and advocacy on the Hill. "We were able to visit 12 Congressional offices during the week," she said. "Having the opportunity to make those visits was a dream come true for me." Senior leaders for CAP's 52 wings were also in D.C. during the week, meeting with lawmakers about CAP's capabili-

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Top: Members of Civil Air Patrol's first-ever Civic Leadership Academy pose for a group picture on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C. **Left:** CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Richard L. Bowling presents a Civil Air Patrol appreciation award to Delaware Senator Joseph R. Biden during CAP's 2004 Legislative Day March 4.



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From left, North Central Region Commander Col. Rex E. Glasgow, Cadet Aaron M. Church of Iowa Wing's East Iowa Cadet Squadron, and Iowa Senator Tom Harkin pose for a photo during CAP's Congressional Reception March 3. Senator Harkin is holding up a pen-and-ink drawing of an F-8 Crusader Cadet Church drew and presented to the senator. The senator was a U.S. Navy pilot and flew the Crusader in the early 1960s.



From left, Tennessee Wing Commander Col. James M. Rushing, Tennessee Congressman John J. Duncan Jr., CAP National Controller and former Tennessee Wing commander Col. Joseph C. Meighan and CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Richard L. Bowling pose for a photo after presenting Congressman Duncan with a CAP appreciation award during CAP's Congressional Reception March 3.



2004 NCASE brings together teachers, aviation enthusiasts, industry leaders from across America



Explorer and Maryland Wing member
Gus McLeod



Teacher of the Year Dr. Betsy Rogers



Paper airplane record holder Ken Blackburn

The 2004 National Congress on Aviation & Space Education was held at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis March 24-27.

The congress — the premier aerospace education conference in the nation — brought together more than 500 outstanding teachers, industry leaders and aviation enthusiasts.

At this year's conference, five new members were inducted into the National Congress Crown Circle for Aerospace Education Leadership. Established in 1979, the Crown Circle Award is considered to be one of the most prestigious honors bestowed worldwide in the field of aerospace education. Since its establishment, only 121 people have been so honored.

This year's inductees were:

✈ Dr. Stephen Underwood of Birmingham, Ala. — a retired college professor responsible for sparking an interest in science and aerospace for thousands of college students majoring in education;

✈ Kenneth Huff of Blasdell, N.Y. — sixth grade teacher and team leader at Mill Middle School in Williamsville, N.Y., and avid aerospace educator;

✈ Gil and Phyllis Moore of Monument, Colo. — creators of the Starshine Student Satellite Project, an international student upper atmospheric research project that has benefitted tens of thousands of students in 43 nations; and

✈ Edith Street of Gulfport, Miss. — a teacher at Westminster Academy in Gulfport, Miss., a retired teacher in the Mississippi Public School system and Mississippi Wing's plans and programs officer.

Another highly successful event was Hangar Talk. Famed aviator Scott Crossfield, astronauts Joe F. Edwards Jr. and James S. Voss, and aviator, explorer and Maryland Wing member Gus McLeod participated in an informal exchange of aviation ideas and experiences. They openly shared opinions and concerns, and told delightful aviation stories that warmed the audience of several hundred.

This year's congress featured two new presentations. Late afternoon on March 25, Mary Anne Thompson, president of the Aerospace Education Foundation, led the Gath-

ering of Silver Eagles, a discussion that centered around the adventures of early aviation enthusiasts and World War II veterans. Panelists included: Tuskegee Airmen Col. Charles McGee and Ted Johnson; Women Air Service Pilots Ethel Finley and Caro Bosca, and aviation mechanic and Maryland Wing member Mary Feik. That same evening, Dr. Frank Mitchell led Careers in Aerospace panel, which featured mechanical engineer and 1902 Wright Glider pilot Dr. Kevin Kochersberger, aerospace engineer Ken Blackburn (and Guinness Book record holder for the longest flight time for a paper airplane), Women in Aviation President Dr. Peggy Chabrian, Challenger Center vice president of Space Science Research Dr. Jeff Goldstein, University Aviation Association President Carolyn Williamson and Ms. Thompson.

Another congress highlight was this year's break-out sessions conducted by leading aerospace experts. "Fifty-five different sessions were offered and the evaluations were outstanding," said Joan Emerson, Aerospace Program manager at CAP National Headquarters. "We strive for a variety of sessions so there will be something for everybody, and the 2004 sessions were no exception."

According to Jim Mallett, director of CAP's Leadership Development and Membership Services Directorate, this year's congress was nothing short of outstanding. "The general assembly speakers were outstanding, and the numerous concurrent sessions were great, and, on top of that, our attendees received a myriad of information to take back to their students," said Mr. Mallett.

"I also want to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers from the Southeast Region and Georgia Wing for dedicating their time and energy to ensure a very successful conference for CAP. We greatly appreciated their efforts," said Mr. Mallett.

Next year's NCASE will be held April 27-30, 2005, in Washington, D.C. The focus there will be on M.A.R.S. — making aerospace education real for students. Members may obtain congress information by sending an e-mail to ncase@capnhq.gov or checking the CAP Web site at www.capnhq.gov/conference.



1902 Wright Glider pilot Dr. Kevin Kochersberger



Astronaut James S. Voss



Astronaut Joe F. Edwards Jr.



Famed aviator A. Scott Crossfield addresses the NCASE general assembly.



National Aeronautic Association President Don Koranda presents the 2003 Frank G. Brewer Trophy to aerospace educator Phillip Woodruff of Washington, D.C.



Students participate in the NCASE exhibit hall activities.



Present on stage during the NCASE banquet were the 2004 Crown Circle Award winners and their escorts, along with 27 previous Crown Circle inductees.



NCASE attendees took advantage of more than 50 concurrent sessions.



Tuskegee Airman Charles McGee signs autographs following NCASE's first-ever Gathering of Silver Eagles.

AIRVAN O'FLIGHT



Photo by Marc Huchette

John Sharp, left, chief of Operations Training at Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters, briefs Air Force Col. John A. Neubauer, 42nd Air Base Wing commander at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., on the cockpit controls of Civil Air Patrol's newest aircraft, the Gippsland GA8 Airvan. In addition to learning about the aircraft, the colonel and Mr. Sharp went for an hour-long orientation flight in the Airvan on April 5 over the Montgomery area. The Airvan positioned at Maxwell and another owned by CAP, which is on the West Coast, are two of only three operating in the United States.

AF risk-management courses available

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — The Air Force's Operational Risk Management University, CD-ROM Edition, Version 1.0 is open to all Civil Air Patrol members and can now be accessed online via CAP's Web site.

"Our partnership with the Air Force Safety Center has resulted in their ORM University being shared with CAP. Until now, it was only accessible on the Air Force Safety Center's Web site by users with a '.mil' e-mail address," said Gary Woodsmall, chief of safety at CAP National Headquarters. "This will not only be a great resource for our volunteers, but will also allow state directors without a '.mil' e-mail address to access the course."

From the online stand-alone edition, members can study, take an exam and print a certificate of completion.

Courses available include:

- * ORM Fundamentals — provides an introduction to the Air Force ORM process, techniques and basic tools;
- * Essentials For Leaders -- includes a brief review of ORM fundamentals and provides intermediate-

level training on ORM application;

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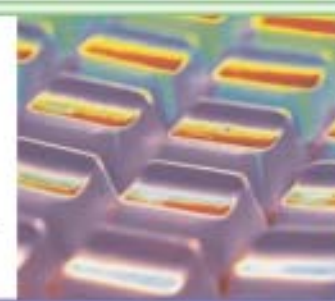
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MAJ ROBERT H JOHNSON	MN
MAJ CHARLOTTE M MILLER	MN
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CAPT ELAINE M SUDERNO	CA
CAPT IRA ROSENBERG	CA
MAJ THOMAS E GRAY	CA
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CAPT JOHN T HOUGHIN	FL
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MAJ RALPH PARNES	FL
CAPT PATRICK S O'KEY	FL
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MAJ ALBERT L ZWICK	FL
CAPT DENNIS E NYE	FL
MAJ KEVIN M VISLOCKY	FL
MAJ DAVID R SCHLENDER	FL
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MAJ CURT A KLUN	MD
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CAPT WAYNE C MERRITT	ME
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MAJ ROBERT C WHITMAN	MI
MAJ CARLTON R SUMNER	MI
CAPT ANIBAL PABON	MN
MAJ GARY L LEMASTERS	MN
CAPT BRIAN J FRESEMAN	MN
CAPT BRUCE A RAMSDEN	MN
MAJ AUDREY M LURTEN	MO
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CAPT SUSAN E ZOLLER	NH
CAPT JOSE A AVILES	NJ
1ST LT KEVIN E SANDS	NJ
1ST LT DONALD P DEGARMO	NJ
CAPT DANIEL R NETCHER	NV
1ST LT ELIZABETH A R TATTERSALL	NV
1ST LT STEWART G TATTERSALL	NV
MAJ BURTON G STEVENS	NV
CAPT BRYAN S DINSMORE	NV
1ST LT KYM W JENNINGS	NY
LT COL EDWARD V GIAMPOLI	NY
CAPT SHARON L GARCIA	NY
CAPT MICHAEL P MOONEY	NY
CAPT STEPHEN J MAYER	NY
CAPT MICHAEL J KELLY	NY
CAPT GERALDINE MEINERS	OH
CAPT JOHN M WITMER	OH
CAPT ELSIE D PERRY	OH
MAJ DAVID L AUSTIN	OH
CAPT EARL J HARIG	OK
LT COL RICHARD WJ CACINI	OK
CAPT JOSE G RIERA	OK
CAPT JOHNNY E GONZALES	OK
CAPT PHILIP J PATTERSON	OK
MAJ SARAH A HOLT	OK
CAPT CHRISTOPHER R WADE	OR
CAPT DOUGLAS K RICHARDS	OR
MAJ JOSE A ORTIZ	PR
CAPT JANEEN HALES CHAZELL	RMR
CAPT NANCY Z GLEATON	SC
CAPT JONATHAN E REID	SC
CAPT CAROL R THEILER	SC

MAJ RANDALL P PATTERSON	TN
CAPT EDWARD J KENNEDY	TN
CAPT GARY J SPRADLIN	TN
CAPT DOUGLAS J DAWSON	TN
LT COL MARCUS DONOVAN BLACKETER	TX
LT COL MICHAEL L EBERLE	TX
CAPT MONTE M MILLER	TX
CAPT PETER M DITTMER	TX
MAJ STEPHEN R DICKER	TX
CAPT TED M TESSITORE	TX
CAPT THOMAS C BYERS	TX
MAJ HAL G CARPENTER	TX
LT COL CHARLOTTE P P PAUL	TX
MAJ ROBERT MARK WOLIN	TX
1ST LT JANE B SMALLEY	TX
CAPT DAVID EARL KINNEY	TX
1ST LT MICHAEL A REESE	TX
CAPT WALTER N BEENE	TX
MAJ RAY A ATANACIO	UT
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CAPT KARL L SENOR	VT
CAPT DARREN P BARKER	WA
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CAPT PAUL G SCHAROLD	WA
MAJ BRIAN A SLATER	WA
MAJ KENNETH L ROLLINS	WA
LT COL THOMAS D BAUDER	WI
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2ND LT JAMES COMPTON	AL
SR MBR OLIVIA CORK	AL
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CAPT WILLIAM KESSLER	AL
SR MBR KENNETH MCENTYRE	AL
SR MBR STEPHANIE SMITHSON	AL
SR MBR FRANK WAID	AL
APT BERNARD BERNIS	AK
1ST LT GLEN CUNNINGHAM	AK
1ST LT ROSE CUNNINGHAM	AK
1ST LT ALBERT SENESE	AK
1ST LT DOUGLAS S. BERRY	AZ
CAPT LUIS A. CAMUS	AZ
2ND LT JEAN L. HURLEY	AZ
LTCOL WALTER G. KARR	AZ
2ND LT PAULA RAMAGE	AZ
2ND LT JOHN SINGLETON	AZ
CAPT ATTILA SZOKOL	AZ
2ND LT RANDALL WITHERS	AZ
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CAPT VON C. CAMPBELL	CO
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CAPT ALAN R. HERGERT	CO
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2ND LT DEBRA HOBSON	CO
2ND LT STEPHEN HOBSON	CO
SR MBR RUSSELL C. KELLER	CO
TFO JEFFREY MARTIN	CO
CAPT JAY MILES	CO
SR MBR BRANDON J. NADRASH	CO
1ST LT ARTEMIS O'CONAN	CO
2ND LT SWASTI PANIGRAHI	CO
1ST LT ROBERT W. PATLOVANY	CO
2ND LT CHRISTOPHER PHELPS	CO
SR MBR CRAIG P. PRIVETTE	CO
CAPT JON BANKS	GA
CMSGT ROBERT CARLSON	GA
1ST LT DENNIS KNIGHT JR	GA
2ND LT JIMMIE KYZER	GA
CAPT JEROME WOOD	GA
CAPT LINDA WOOD	GA
SR MBR MICHAEL EGESDAL	IA
SR MBR WILLIAM ROSKEY	IA
LTCOL JERRY VOSS	ID
SR MBR SHERMAN L. YACHER	KS
CAPT GLENDA BELDEN	MA
1ST LT EDWARD BOS	MA
1ST LT MARIA CONLON	MA
1ST LT KENNETH KIRKLEWSKI	MA
MAJ LOUANN MAFFEI-TWLUC	MA
MAJ JAMES PACITTI	MA
1ST LT JESSE REIN	MA
CAPT STEVEN ROSS	MA
CAPT FREDERICK WILLIAMSON	MA
CAPT ROBERT YAEGER	MA
1ST LT STEVE BARTH	MD
1ST LT WILLIAM E. EARLE	MD
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CAPT CLYDE E. GRIMES	MD
2ND LT MAY HASKELL	MD
CAPT BILL PARRIS	MD
2ND LT ED SALAS	MD

1ST LT JIM SCHMIDT	MD
1ST LT JEFFREY C. THOMAS	MD
1ST LT KAREN WALKER	MD
2ND LT LEE R. WALL	MD
CAPT DAVID J. BARBOSA	ME
2ND LT MELONY BUFORD	MI
1ST LT CHARLES E. CENCI	MI
1ST LT DIANNA L. CENCI	MI
SR MBR THOMAS DUMAS	MI
MAJ RAYMOND HILL	MI
CAPT EARL HUETT	MI
2ND LT ROBERT ISH	MI
2ND LT HAROLD JONES	MI
1ST LT CRISTY KIRSCHKE	MI
1ST LT KEVIN KIRSCHKE	MI
CAPT MICHAEL MARCUS	MI
1ST LT LAURA MCEWEN	MI
1ST LT RICHARD MCEWEN	MI
SR MBR RUSSELL MILFORD	MI
CAPT CLIFFORD MILLER	MI
MAJ MARY MITCHELL	MI
MAJ DONALD POE	MI
SR MBR AARON STAHL	MI
SR MBR IVAN STAHL	MI
2ND LT JOHN F. STEC	MI
CAPT ROBERT TURNER	MI
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1ST LT MARK S. BANWART	MN
CAPT BEN J. BARSNESS	MN
MAJ JOHN E. BARSNESS	MN
MAJ SHANNON L. BAUER	MN
1ST LT JAMES C. HETHERINGTON	MN
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2ND LT GORDON J. MILLER	MN
CAPT ROBERT S. MYLES	MN
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1ST LT PAUL C. PIEPER	MN
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MAJ JOLEEN M. STADSKLEY	MN
SR MBR ROD K. THOMPSON	MN
SR MBR BRUCE W. WINDORSKI	MN
CAPT JOHN BURROWS	MO
1ST LT ALLAN ENGLE	MO
2ND LT RODNEY FORBES	MO
1ST LT JERRY GIBSON	MO
CAPT CHRISTOPHER MORRIS	MO
MAJ JOHN PRIGMORE	MO
SR MBR DAVID ROBERTS	MO
CAPT DANIEL ROUTIER	MO
2ND LT DAVID STUCKENBERG	MO
SR MBR DAVID VAUGHN	MO
2ND LT GARY W. BARKER	NC
1ST LT CHUCK BOWERS	NC
2ND LT TIM CERITELLO	NC
SR MBR CHRIS COOPER	NC
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CAPT PETER C. HANTELMAN	NC
MAJ JON JOHNSON	NC
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1ST LT EILEEN KONG	NC
1ST LT STEVE MANN	NC
SR MBR ROBERT MASON	NC
2ND LT JOHN D. MCCOLLUM	NC
MAJ THOMAS MERRILL	NC
CAPT TERRY M. NEWELL	NC
2ND LT DAVID OLDHAM	NC
1ST LT STEVENS PEARCE	NC
2ND LT MARK SALVATO	NC
SR MBR MIKE STARR	NC
1ST LT PETER H. AXIOTIS	NE
CAPT MYON EISENHAEUER	NE
LTCOL GOLDA T. ELDRIDGE	NE
2ND LT TIM ERICKSON	NE
SR MBR STEVEN M. HUBBELL	NE
1ST LT JASON P. JOHNSON	NE
CAPT PHILIP JOSSI	NE
2ND LT KIRWIN KOLB	NE
TFO MICHAEL C.P. PERINA	NE
2ND LT KEVIN SAATHOFF	NE
SR MBR SUSAN BIBBY-SMITH	NJ
CAPT ROBERT J. BOUSQUET	NJ
1ST LT SAMUEL FELDMAN	NJ
CAPT TODD E. JASPER	NJ
2ND LT JOHN SMITH	NJ
2ND LT ROBERT SWEENEY	NJ
1ST LT FRANK SPANO	NM
CAPT JOHN BRADLEY	NY
CAPT DANIEL BRODSKY	NY
1ST LT KEITH DELMAR	NY
2ND LT PETER FADIS	NY
1ST LT LARRY HASARD	NY
MAJ ALBERT KANNERT	NY
1ST LT VINCENT J. LIGGIO	NY
MAJ BARBARA J. MARTIN	NY
2ND LT JAMES MCCLURE	NY
1ST LT JOHN MCKELVEY	NY
1ST LT MICHAEL J. MEEKER	NY
1ST LT STEPHEN M. VALASTRO	NY
CAPT JOSE A. VELEZ	NY
1ST LT RONALD CRAWFORD	OH
1ST LT MICHAEL GATES	OH
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CAPT ANA CANDELARIO	PR
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1ST LT STEVEN REVIS	SC
CAPT PHILLIP L. BLANSETT	TN
CAPT THOMAS K. ELBROW	TN
CAPT IAN F. JACKSON	TN
2ND LT SHARON L. JOHNSON	TN
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2ND LT GILBERT A. STEFFEN	TN
CAPT CHARLES W. WATSON	TN
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CAPT PATRICK L. BENOIT	TX
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CAPT JOHN S. CRAPARO	TX
1ST LT KATHLEEN M. CRAVER	TX
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CAPT TERRI L. HARPER	TX
2ND LT ALAN L. HUDDLESTON	TX
CAPT STEPHEN C. HUNDLEY	TX
CAPT MICHAEL T. MALOY	TX
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CAPT ALAN E. O'MARTIN	TX
1ST LT CHARLES W. SNYDER	TX
2ND LT STANLEY J. VASQUEZ	TX
1ST LT STEPHEN F. WHEELER	TX
CAPT WILLIAM R. ADAMS	UT
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2ND LT SHANNON BELLAMY	UT
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1ST LT THEODORE W. CONRAD	UT
CAPT JASON DAVIS	UT
1ST LT JOSEPH DOUBEK	UT
2ND LT RICK GARRETT	UT
CAPT MARLENE M. HARPER	UT
2ND LT GARY HENRY	UT
CAPT KATHLEEN HOBBS	UT
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LTCOL MICAH K. JENSEN	UT
2ND LT DOMINIC R. JONES	UT
CAPT DEZ C. KEENE	UT
MAJ WAYNE LEYDSMAN	UT
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1ST LT BRENT LUDLOW	UT
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CAPT RALPH MORELLI	UT
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1ST LT KRISTA M. SEIGER	UT
2ND LT BRUCE SHARP	UT
LTCOL DANIEL STANTON	UT
LTCOL WILLIAM W. WAGNER	UT
1ST LT CARL WENGEL	UT
SR MBR CURT E. WENGEL	UT
1ST LT MARK WILKINSON	UT
SR MBR JUSTIN T. ADKINSON	VA
MAJ ROBERT L. DORTON	VA
MAJ MARILYN S. FARMER	VA
MAJ RANDALL S. HARDY	VA
2ND LT VIRGINIA R. HILTON	VA
MAJ EUGENE F. JACKSON	VA
2ND LT BRIAN D. LANDERS	VA
SR MBR RICHARD S. SAUNDERS	VA
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1ST LT JOHN J. WHITE	VA
2ND LT ROSEMARY BAKER	WA
SR MBR ROBERT MARKEY	WA
CAPT MICHAEL MONTGOMERY	WA
2ND LT DIANA REID	WA
2ND LT ROBERT SCHRIPEMA	WA
CAPT ROMI SINGH	WA
LTCOL MICHAEL VINEYARD	WA</

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ties in emergency services, homeland security and aerospace education. Several of the cadets went along for the visits to their respective lawmakers, contributing their perspective on the cadet program and its impact in their home communities. "It was a great privilege to meet with Senator Biden and Senator Carper," said Katie Offen of Georgetown, Del.

"To visit our nation's capital and speak with two leading government officials was a very memorable experience. I consider it a major highlight in my cadet career."

As the official civilian auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, CAP receives some funding through Congressional appropriations. Most of its wings also receive funding through their states.

During their visits, CAP leaders discussed state funding and other state issues with their lawmakers. They also requested support for CAP-related legislation pending in both the House and the Senate under the Public Safety Officer Benefit Act, which would include additional death benefits for CAP members performing Air Force-assigned missions. Legislation for such coverage currently has three sponsors in the Senate and 26 in the House and CAP is seeking additional support. H.R. 732 was sponsored by Rep. Darlene Hooley of Oregon, while the identical Senate bill S.693 was sponsored by Sen. W. Wayne Allard of Colorado and cosponsored by Senators Norm Coleman and Mark Dayton of Minnesota. Other lawmakers supporting the bills are listed below.

As a prelude to the legislative visits, CAP sponsored a reception for congressional members and staffers at the Rayburn Senate Building on March 3, 2004. Among those attending were Michael L. Dominguez, Assistant Air Force Secretary for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Brig. Gen. David Clary, USAF; Sen. Tom Harkin of Iowa, head of the CAP Congressional Squadron; Rep. Robert Scott of Virginia; Rep. Howard Coble of North Carolina, Rep. Roscoe G. Bartlett of Maryland, Rep. Darell Issa of California and Rep. John Duncan, Jr. of Tennessee.

CAP's week in Washington ended with the two-day semiannual meeting of the CAP National Board, which is made up of wing commanders from all 52 wings (including the 50 states, Washington D.C., and Puerto Rico), CAP national officers, and commander of CAP-U.S. Air Force.

Among the business items was a presentation by representatives of Citizens Corps, a FEMA-sponsored organization which promotes homeland security on a community level. CAP is an affiliate member of Citizens Corps and is establishing guidelines to work with local Citizens Corps chapters throughout the nation.

2003 AEX ADDITION

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — In the March 2004 issue of the Civil Air Patrol News, Illinois Wing's Peoria Composite Squadron was inadvertently left off the list of CAP units that completed the 2003 Aerospace Education Excellence Award Program.

2004 National Cadet Special Activities Reference Chart

ACTIVITY	LOCATION	DATES	FEES
Advanced Technologies Academy.....	Peterson AFB, CO.....	July 17-24.....	\$350
	Dowling College, NY.....	Aug. 8-15.....	\$350
Aerospace Education Academy.....	Oshkosh, WI.....	June 13-20.....	\$260
Air Education & Training Command Familiarization Course.....	Columbus AFB, MS.....	July 10-17.....	\$135
	Laughlin AFB, TX.....	June 20-26.....	\$135
Air Force Pararescue Orientation Course (Basic).....	Kirtland AFB, NM.....	June 25-July 2.....	\$135
Air Force Space Command Familiarization Course.....	Patrick AFB, FL.....	Aug. 1-7.....	\$150
	Peterson AFB, CO.....	July 11-17.....	\$150
Air Force Weather Agency Familiarization Course (Basic).....	Offutt AFB, NE.....	June 18-26.....	\$160
Air Force Weather Agency Familiarization Course (Advanced).....	Offutt AFB, NE.....	June 18-26.....	\$160
Cadet Civic Leadership Academy*.....	Washington DC.....	Feb. 28-March 6.....	\$200
Cadet Officer School.....	Maxwell AFB, AL.....	June 19-29.....	\$175
Engineering Technologies Academy.....	Auburn University, AL.....	July 17-24.....	\$195
Hawk Mountain Search & Rescue School**.....	Hamburg, PA.....	July 10-18.....	\$100
Honor Guard Academy.....	Camp Pendleton, VA.....	July 11-24.....	\$375 (New) \$195 (Return)
International Air Cadet Exchange.....	Worldwide.....	July 15-Aug. 4.....	\$100
National Blue Beret.....	Oshkosh, WI.....	July 21-Aug. 3.....	\$195
National Emergency Services Academy			
NGSAR*** Team Leader Course.....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	Aug. 1-7.....	\$155
NGSAR (Basic 1).....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	July 25-31.....	\$155
NGSAR (Basic 2).....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	Aug. 1-7.....	\$155
NGSAR (Advanced 1).....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	July 25-31.....	\$155
NGSAR (Advanced 2).....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	Aug. 1-7.....	\$155
Mission Base Staff School (Basic).....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	July 25-31.....	\$155
Mission Base Staff School (Advanced).....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	Aug. 1-7.....	\$155
Mission Aircrew School.....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	July 30-Aug. 7.....	\$155
NESA Staff.....	Camp Atterbury, IN.....	July 21-Aug. 9.....	\$45
National Flight Academies – Glider Track			
NFA-G.....	Georgia.....	July 7-17.....	\$850
NFA-G.....	Illinois.....	June 18-26.....	\$850
National Flight Academies – Powered Track			
NFA-P.....	Nebraska.....	June 18-30.....	\$850
NFA-P.....	Oklahoma.....	Aug. 6-14.....	\$850
NFA-P.....	Tennessee.....	June 13-25.....	\$850
NFA-P.....	Virginia.....	July 10-18.....	\$850
NFA-P.....	Wisconsin.....	June 18-28.....	\$850
NFA-P.....	Wisconsin.....	Aug. 7-16.....	\$850
National Military Music Academy.....	Camp Fretterd, MD.....	July 12-28.....	\$350

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MASSACHUSETTS —

Members of the Essex County Composite Squadron were big winners at the Massachusetts Wing Conference in Sturbridge, Mass., March 12-14.

At the general assembly, Cadet 2nd Lt. Richard Poor received the Brig. Gen. Billy Mitchell Award and cadet Cpts. Patrick Sheehan and Garrett Sobalvarro received the Amelia Earheart awards and Senate citations.

Cadet 2nd Lt. Jonathan DeCosta placed second in the public speaking contest.

At the banquet Saturday evening, squadron members came up winners again when Cadet Capt. Patrick Sheehan received the Cadet of Distinction Award.

Finally, the Essex County Composite Squadron received the 2003 Northeast Region Squadron of Distinction Award.

The squadron is located at the Lawrence Municipal Airport in North Andover, Mass.

Maj. Antoinette D. Fischer

PENNSYLVANIA —

Seventeen members with Pennsylvania Wing's Beaver County Composite and Golden Triangle Composite squadrons conducted a joint rocket launch in a field outside of Chippewa, Pa.

With three of the Golden Triangle cadets acting as launch control officers, the other rest of the group launched the model rockets they had been working on for many weeks.

The day was a cold one, but many families showed up to watch the launches. During the event, each cadet got to launch his or her rocket once, and some opted for a second launch with a



From left, 2nd Lts. David Pert and Aaron Freibel of New York Wing's Broome Tioga Composite Squadron pose for a photo after receiving their Gen. Billy Mitchell Award from Endicott (N.Y.) Mayor Joan Pulse. Cadet Lieutenant Pert is planning on attending the U.S. Air Force Academy to become a helicopter pilot, and Cadet Lieutenant Friebe is planning to attend Clarkson University on an Air Force ROTC scholarship. He wants to major in aerospace engineering.

slightly larger engine.

The altitudes reached by the rockets were quite impressive.

1st Lt. Mary Ellen Stanley

MIDDLE EAST REGION

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NORTH CAROLINA —

North Carolina Wing's Iredell Composite Squadron has a new search and rescue program in the works -- a mounted search and rescue team.

The MSAR program, which had been in the planning stage for about a year, is headed up by 2nd Lt. Jim Green. Other members of the team include 2nd Lt. Shirley Green, Chris Moose and Jim Gardner, and seven horses and one pack mule.

To date, the MSAR team has participated in two training missions and both were a

success, according to Lieutenant Green.

The first training mission was in November 2003 at River Bend Park, N.C. The scenario involved a wing aircraft that went down during a mission. Using a direction finder while on horseback, the MSAR members were able to locate and direct ground team members to the site, which was several miles from the starting point, in about one hour.

The second training mission was conducted in January 2004 in Albemarle, N.C., and involved a roving patrol. In this scenario, the pilot/victim had been injured and became lost in the woods after wandering away from the crash site. The MSAR members were located the victim in about 30 minutes and rendered first aid until a recovery vehicle arrived on the scene.

"Our goal is not to replace a ground team, but to augment it and extend its range, speed and capability while in the field," Lieutenant Green said.

Other missions the team could be involved in include the carrying of large amounts of supplies over rough terrain, such as medical supplies, warm blankets, food and water, tents, and other necessities, especially during natural disasters when the roads are closed to normal traffic. The MSAR team could also be used as a roving patrol on North Carolina beaches after a hurricane to report the extent of damage to authorities.

"In that scenario, MSAR members could send back live digital pictures of damaged structures much like our aircraft overhead do, only we can get closer and provide a horizontal view, something our aircraft can not do," said Lieutenant Green.

According to Lieutenant Green, the team is continually

training so they can improve their SAR skills. "We hope to make the MSAR program a valuable asset to the North Carolina Wing," he said.

If anyone would like more information about the unit's MSAR team, contact Lieutenant Green at mulequestrian@yahoo.com.

1st Lt. Denise Chapman

GREAT LAKES REGION

COMMANDER
COL. WILLIAM W. WEBB

ILLINOIS ★ INDIANA
KENTUCKY ★ MICHIGAN
OHIO ★ WISCONSIN

ILLINOIS — Just days after members of the Kentucky Wing found the wreckage of a Piper Saratoga II from Illinois with six fatalities, Illinois Group 9 hosted a scheduled practice search and rescue and disaster relief mission March 26-27.

The unit, commanded by Lt. Col. Paul Rothe, conducted the practice mission to sharpen their search and rescue skills of flight and ground crews and incident command staff.

Under the direction of incident commander Lt. Col. Fred Herschelman, 26 senior members and 20 cadets from five central and southern Illinois squadrons took part in six flight sorties searching for downed aircraft and an activated electronic locator transmitter, and conducting aerial photo reconnaissance.

The practice mission was flown out of the Capitol Airport in Springfield, Ill., and the exercise's mission base was at the Illinois Department of Transportation's Division of Aeronautics, also at the airport.

Earlier in the week, Colonel Herschelman was Illinois Wing's statewide incident commander in the search for the Saratoga, which was found on the afternoon of March 24 in Eastern Kentucky.

2nd Lt. Lee Davis

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MICHIGAN — Michigan Wing's Selfridge Cadet Squadron was formally presented with a Unit Citation Award by Michigan Wing Commander Col. Gary Mayo.

"One of my greatest pleasures is presenting this kind of award, because it shows you have been active in ways that bring great credit to the Civil Air Patrol and Michigan Wing," said Colonel Mayo.

Awarded for squadron activities carried out in the 2002 calendar year, the award was recommended by wing and group staff for cadet activities that emphasized community service, support for Air National Guard activities at the Selfridge ANG base, and extensive cadet learning and participation. During the year, the cadets performed more than 1,100 documented hours of community service.

"I commend you — the cadets of this unit — for your accomplishments and achievements. You have clearly distinguished yourselves in wing, regional and national activities, including sending 17 cadets to our regional encampment," Colonel Mayo stated during the ceremony. "In addition, you have had significant milestone awards, including cadets earning the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award. You should all be proud of the great things you have done and deserve to give yourselves a round of applause."

The Selfridge squadron, with more than 60 cadet and 18 senior members, has one-tenth of the wing's cadets. According to Colonel Mayo, the cadet squadrons are the heart of CAP, and he is proud of the activity of all of the wing's cadets.

1st Lt. Tim Moran

SOUTH-EAST REGION

COMMANDER
COL. ANTONIO J. PINEDA

ALABAMA ★ FLORIDA ○
GEORGIA ★ MISSISSIPPI ○
PUERTO RICO ★ TENNESSEE

FLORIDA — Florida Wing cadets and senior members



Southeast Region Commander Col. Tony Pineda, top left, poses for a photo with three Florida Wing cadets and three physically challenged youths who were participating in Challenge Air Fly Day, an annual event held at the Fort Lauderdale (Fla.) Executive Airport, that offers young people with special needs a chance to fly.

volunteered their time and energy to help make the Challenge Air Fly Day for kids -- an annual event at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport -- a huge success.

The event is designed to inspire and motivate physically challenged youths via a unique aviation experience. The children and their family members were given the opportunity to fly in a small airplane piloted by either a physically challenged or able-bodied pilot.

Hundreds of volunteers gathered to help on this special day, including pilots, flightline and communications personnel,

and escorts for the children, and Southeast Region Commander Col. Tony Pineda was also on hand to offer his support to the wing cadets and senior members who were there. While there, Colonel Pineda spoke with the cadets and seniors, as well as the handicapped children and their families participating in the event. He acknowledged the hard work and dedication shown by all of the volunteers of Challenge Air Fly Day.

"It was worth all of the effort, especially after seeing the faces of the children who received a chance to fly -- a chance many might never have gotten if not for an event like this," said Colonel Pineda.



Retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Schuyler Bissel poses for a photo with Tennessee Wing Cadet Col. Danny Catino of the Berry Field Composite Squadron after presenting Colonel Catino his Gen. Carl A. Spaatz Award (#1521).

experience in CAP, I have learned self-discipline, integrity and many other characteristics that have helped me to become a well-rounded individual," said Colonel Catino, who has been a member of CAP for four years. Catino plans to major in aerospace technology at Middle Tennessee State University where he has been awarded a full Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarship. He hopes to become a combat rescue officer in the Air Force after graduation.

As a cadet, Colonel Catino attended several national special activities, but his strongest interest has been in the field of pararescue training. He graduated from Basic Pararescue Orientation Course, Advanced Pararescue Orientation Course and Mountaineering, where he was taught wilderness survival, mountaineering, land navigation and trauma medical skills by Air Force pararescuemen.

"Because of CAP's national cadet special activities, I discovered the career field I want to pursue and gained the confidence to know that I can do it," Colonel Catino said. The son of Dave and Gina Catino of Brentwood, Tenn., Danny has lettered in cross country and track for two years at Brentwood High School. As a

member of the 2003 Tennessee Wing Drill Team, he assisted his team in placing third in the Southeast Region Drill Team Competition — and plans to be a member of the 2004 team.

Some of his many accomplishments include being awarded the Group III 2001 Cadet Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, Flight 2 Top Performer at the 2003 Cadet Officer School, Bravo Flight commander at National Blue Beret, Berry Field's 2003 Cadet Officer of the Year and a Commander's Commendation for squadron leadership.

"Cadet Colonel Catino is a fine product of CAP's cadet program. He is an invaluable leader of the cadets in our squadron and we are extremely proud of this great accomplishment," stated squadron commander Lt. Col. Claude Fillingham.

Colonel Catino is the second Berry Field cadet to receive the Spaatz award in the last four months. In November, Cadet Col. Chris Perrine received his Spaatz award (#1516). Along with the Spaatz presentation, other awards presented were: Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year — Cadet Senior Master Sgt. Peyton Sweeney; Cadet of the Year — Cadet Lt. Col. Brian Kinner; Cadet Officer of the Year — Colonel Catino; and Senior

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IOWA ★ KANSAS
MINNESOTA ★ MISSOURI
NEBRASKA ★ NORTH DAKOTA
SOUTH DAKOTA

MISSOURI — Members of Missouri Wing's 144th Pegasus and 119th East Central Composite squadrons met over a period of four weekends for ground team-member training.

Fifteen cadets and one senior member worked toward completing the GTM task list and qualifying as ground team members. The training ended with a practice mission on Feb. 22. Many of the trainees required only an additional sortie and basic first aid to complete their GTM qualification.

The first and second weekends were held at Sullivan



Nebraska Wing Commander Col. Warder Shires, right, administers the oath of office to CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Richard L. Bowling, Great, commissioning him as an admiral in the Great Nebraska Navy during the wing's annual conference March 19-21.

Regional Airport, which is also the meeting place for the 119th ECCS. The last two weekends were held at the Festus Army National Guard Armory in Festus, Mo.

Cadet members of the 119th ECCS who participated were: Airman Stephen McCulloch, Airmen 1st Class Colleen Barclay and Charles Barclay, and Master Sgt. Elliot Whitcraft. Members of the 144th Pegasus Composite Squadron who participated were: Cadets

Tech. Sgts. Patrick McPhail and Amanda Hoekel, Senior Airmen Jordan Birkett, Airman 1st Class Amber Mazdra and Jordan Peery, and Airmen Bethany Mazdra, Jaime Mazdra, Zachary Wycoff, Robyn Wycoff and Jaclyn McPhail.

Other members who supported the activity behind the scenes were: 1st Lts. David Barclay, William Donahoe, 2nd Lt. Tammy Mazdra, Capt. Tom Wann, Sr. Mbr. Cheryl Wycoff, Maj. Tracy Birkett, and cadets

2nd Lt. Aaron Birkett, Capt. Kara Wann and Lt. Col. David Brown. There were also two cadets in attendance for requalification training — Tech. Sgt. Lesley Smith and Chief Master Sgt. Cody Bishop.

Missouri Wing staff members who supported the event included Col. Bill Winkert, Randy Fuller and Mary Fuller.

NEBRASKA — CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Richard L. Bowling attended the annual Nebraska Wing Conference held at the Park Regency Lodge March 19-21.

During his visit there, the general participated in several social functions and training sessions, and delivered a powerful keynote speech at the conference banquet. The general also presented numerous awards and certificates of recognition to wing members.

In appreciation, Nebraska Wing Commander Col. Warder Shires announced and presented General Bowling his official commission as an admiral in the Great Nebraska Navy, proclaimed and signed by Nebraska Governor Mike Johanns on March 20. Colonel Shires officiated the commissioning ceremony.

Lt. Col. Sam A. Blanchard

SOUTH-WEST REGION

COMMANDER
COL. THOMAS L. TODD

ARIZONA ★ ARKANSAS
LOUISIANA ★ NEW MEXICO
OKLAHOMA ★ TEXAS

TEXAS — Members of the Brownsville Composite Squadron demonstrated their unit's aerial reconnaissance abilities to the media March 17.

Maj. Chris G. Bujanos Jr. took aerial images of bridges and other structures that could be damaged by hurricanes or terrorists. These were transmitted from the unit's aircraft to unit headquarters, which was staffed by cadets First Sgt. Greg Garza, and Vanessa and Marcos Rivera.



Eighteen youths from the Department of Justice's "weed and seed" program toured the squadron March 20. They were

PA AIRCREW CAPTURES VETERANS STADIUM IMPLOSION



A Pennsylvania Wing aircrew shot this digital-image sequence March 21 during an aerial reconnaissance mission over the Philadelphia Veterans Stadium implosion. Aircrew members were: Lt. Col. William J. Creilly, pilot; Lt. Col. Randall C. Manaka, observer; and 1st Lt. Guy B. Frick III, computer operator. The mission was flown using one of the wing's Cessna C-182RGs equipped with CAP's Satellite Digital Imaging System. It took just over a minute to level the stadium using about 3,000 pounds of explosives.

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briefed on the CAP and the unit's Cessna aircraft. Each one then sat in the plane, watched a simulated emergency locator transmitter search and took part in a line search.



Cadet Maj. Bobbie Basaldu of the Brownsville Composite Squadron has been accepted to participate in the 2004 CAP International Air Cadet Exchange. He is thought to be the first cadet from the Rio Grande Valley to take part in this outstanding CAP program.

Maj. Neil Macdougall

OKLAHOMA — Cadet Senior Airman Preston Zoellick of the Edmond Composite Squadron placed first in his category in the Centennial of Flight essay contest sponsored by the Tulsa Air and Space Museum and *The Oklahoma Aviator*.

Preston, a home-schooled student, wrote an essay on the future of aviation for the contest, which was held for private school students and home-schoolers. His essay outlined a vision of the future of aviation that included exploration of the solar system, faster commercial aviation applications, and new types of military aircraft.

Preston and his parents (both senior members in the Edmond squadron) were invited to the museum for the Centennial of Flight celebration and a VIP tour of the museum. Kim Jones, curator of the museum, and Michael Huffman, editor/publisher of *The Oklahoma Aviator*, presented him with a framed certificate. Preston's essay was also published in *The Oklahoma Aviator*.

Sr. Mbr. Shelley Zoellick

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION

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COLORADO ★ IDAHO
MONTANA ★ UTAH
WYOMING

COLORADO — Cadet 2nd Lt. Dustin Hatch was presented with Civil Air Patrol's Gen. Billy



Left, the former Colorado Wing Interim Commander Col. Drew Alexa presents the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award to Cadet 2nd Lt. Dustin Hatch of Colorado Wing's Platte Canyon Griffins Cadet Squadron. Lieutenant Hatch is the first member of the two-year-old squadron to receive the award.

Mitchell Award Feb. 16 by Colorado Wing Commander Col. Drew Alexa during an awards ceremony at the Platte Canyon Griffins Cadet Squadron in Beaver Ranch, Colo. Lieutenant Hatch is the first Griffins squadron cadet to receive the Mitchell award in the squadron's two-year history. Lieutenant Hatch is a senior at Platte Canyon High School who was largely responsible for the formation of the Griffins squadron, which received its charter on Feb. 20, 2002. Through his recruitment efforts, the squadron received recognition from CAP National Headquarters for having the highest retention and recruitment percentage of any squadron in the Rocky Mountain Region.

Last summer, Lieutenant Hatch was one of eight wing cadets who earned solo wings at the Colorado Wing Powered Flight Encampment. Lieutenant Hatch has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Entry Program and is presently slotted to train as an aircrew member after graduation from high school in May.

Several other promotions and awards were received by other squadron members during the ceremony. They included:

❖ Bill Moody — promoted to major;

❖ Senior member Master Sgt. Kirk Rosa — promoted to second lieutenant;

❖ Cadet Master Sgt. Justin Haxton — promoted to senior master sergeant;

❖ Cadet Staff Sgt. Drue Gulley — promoted to technical sergeant;

❖ Cadet Airman 1st Class Justin Sterling — promoted to senior airman;

❖ Cadet Airman Basic Rachel Stertz — promoted to airman;

❖ Cadet Airman Basic Nicole Cooksey — promoted to airman

❖ Cadet Master Sgt. Justin Haxton — received the Community Service Ribbon; and

❖ Lieutenant Hatch — received the Red Service Ribbon.

The Griffins squadron now has 45 members and continues to grow due to active participation in community events and local publicity. To celebrate the unit's second anniversary, members received the squadron's flag as a gift from

Sally Savoy, a local business woman who was impressed with the squadron's service to their community.

Capt. Mike Daniels

PACIFIC REGION

COMMANDER
COL. MERLE V. STARR

ALASKA ★ CALIFORNIA
HAWAII ★ NEVADA
OREGON ★ WASHINGTON

CALIFORNIA — A member of California Wing's Brackett Composite Squadron was awarded the Allstate Foundation's Agency Hands in the Community Award.

Lt. Col. Dominick Landolfi of Diamond Bar, Calif., who is also an Allstate agent, was selected for the award for his commitment to volunteering. The award includes a \$500 grant from the foundation for the Brackett squadron.

Landolfi is a qualified Civil Air Patrol search and rescue pilot, and is the squadron's homeland

security officer. He was nominated for the award by Gerry Bronkar, a market business consultant at Allstate Insurance Company.

"Community outreach is more than a commitment for Allstate Insurance Company; it's a passion. That dedication is demonstrated through charitable giving and volunteerism.

Through their volunteer efforts, many of our agents — including Dominick Landolfi — put time, energy, expertise and compassion behind community projects, making significant impact in the lives of those they touch," said Bronkar.

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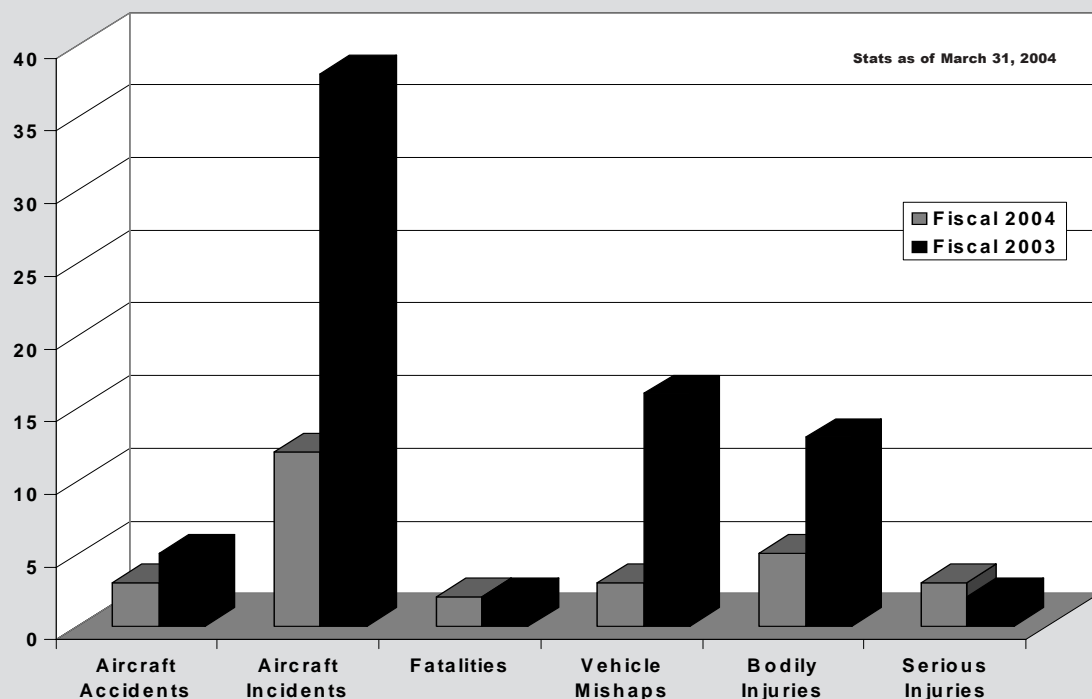
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1st Lt. Adelle McKinney

OVERSEAS

COL. AL ALLENBACK
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GERMANY ★ JAPAN
OKINAWA

OVERSEAS (Ramstein) -- The Ramstein Cadet Squadron's 2004 annual Awards and Parents Night was held March

25 at the Ramstein Officer's Club on Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany.

During the ceremony, squadron commander Lt. Col. Mary Lane presented certificates of appreciation to the Ramstein Honor Guard trainers from the Air Force for their outstanding support in training the unit's cadet honor guard team, as well as for attending the awards and parent's night to help the team prepare for their first performance.

According to Colonel Lane, the event that night was the first time an overseas cadet squadron in Germany presented two national flags at the same time -- one for the host nation and one for the United States.

The Air Force members honored were: Tech. Sgt. Duane Cruz, Senior Airman Morgan Solomon, and Airmen 1st Class Ryan Swanigan and Joshua Luke.

Capt. Raphael Eredita

The Final Salute

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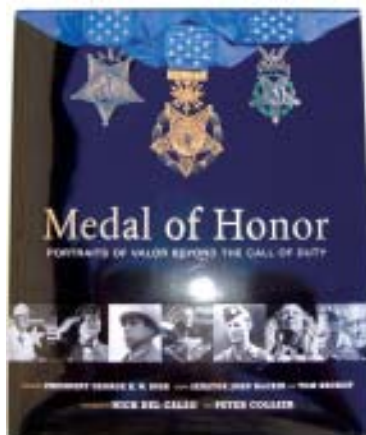
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